



T. H. ROGERS SCHOOL  
PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION  
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## General Meeting Agenda Thursday, April 13, 2017

Attendees: Annette Botas-Rock, Wendy Teoh-Chung, Eunice Chang, Kerry Faro, Jasmine Galal, Alexandra Erkal, Mansi Aror, Nicole Reese, Shazia Sheikh, Eric Munsayac, David Tang, Lauren Aldag, Jennifer Nguyen, Grace Yeo, Brooke Primomo, Sadef Ebrahim, Greg Chariz, Elena Robbins, Jennifer Cable, Elizabeth Hutchinson, Jennifer Radcliffe, Faido Ngumbu

### I. Call to Order - Bê Petrosky/Shazia Sheikh

### II. Elections for 2017-2018 Officers - Bê Petrosky introduced all candidates. Motion to vote by a show of hands majority. Annette motioned to vote, Shazia seconded. Majority approved the proposed slate. New board noted:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Candidate(s):</u>
Co-President	Jennifer Cable Jennifer Radcliffe
1 <sup>st</sup> VP, Fundraising	Kerry Faro
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP, Volunteers	Lucy Dyer
Treasurer	Faida Ngumbu
Secretary	Brooke Primomo
Parliamentarian	Sadaf Ebrahim Bê Petrosky

### III. Request for Funds - Bê Petrosky presented for Ms. Winn a money request toward campus signage to address exit and entrances of parking lots on Bering. The order was given early in the year, before vendor approval was required, vendor is no longer approved by HISD. The money would allow 7 signs, total \$1,600. Suggestion made to include a "No Entry" sign on northernmost exit. Muzyka will request HISD rep (Bruce) to revisit campus and parking lot conditions along with some parents to reassess best solutions, plus request HISD paint arrows on parking lot ground. Final approval of \$2000 for request and extra signage. Brooke motioned, seconded and approved.

### IV. Committee Reports

- A. Treasurer's Report - Gouri Kulkarni. No report given.
- B. Buck Store - Wendy Chung. Wendy gave description of the event taking place on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. 20 minutes shopping for each class. Parents welcome to attend the shopping with their kids. Donations of gently used stuffed animals accepted.
- C. Spaghetti Supper/ Auction - Kerry Faro/Jasmine Galal. Kerry has Fabio's locked in. Jasmine has 500 cookies donated by HEB. HEB Buddy Buck will attend our event 6-7pm, 90 donated cupcakes from 4 different bakeries will go toward Cupcake Walk. All registration is online. Working on a photographer, potentially with a parent. As many coolers as possible are needed for this event. Nicole said all is going well for Silent Auction. She's reviewing past spreadsheet, trying new items/ideas. Making a wide spectrum of values available at SA, for all families to participate. Parking spots for auction will be changed up.
- D. Teacher Appreciation - Annette Rock. All going well. Setting up the selection of hot entrees.
- E. School Supplies – Online purchases are available. Kindergarten and 6<sup>th</sup> graders will have pick up on the orientation day and the other graders will receive packets on Meet the Teacher Day. Mr. Lam is trying a different method for MS students to receive supplies and minimize stress; first year trial attempt. Kinder-2<sup>nd</sup>

grade will have common supplies. Meet the Teacher day will include organize items in classroom, set-up, and popsicle. Also attempt to have Room Parents selected.

**V. Principals' Reports** - David Muzyka, Principal. Mr. Water's replacement (head of the Special Education) interviews taking place today. Ms. Garfield (8<sup>th</sup> grade science teacher) replacement search will begin soon. HISD previously offered incentive for early retirement (\$5K) but abolished this year; July 7<sup>th</sup> last day to resign; difficult to find replacement staff at late date. Magnet 1<sup>st</sup> registration went well (April 1st) with half of new Ram's registered. Next registration is in May. 2,040 on waiting list for THR. Budget meeting ended with uncertain amount of money. PUI is small, what is given helps out with the after school students, especially deaf students. There's a concern that Magnet and Vanguard funding is double funded for these schools; consideration to reconfigure so as fair to the non-vanguard/magnet/stem schools. The GT money comes from the state, ~\$45k per year, not large amount but still valuable for materials and books. Board Trustee Ms. Sung knows needs of THR and how these funds are used and needed here. May 6<sup>th</sup> is Recapture Vote. Two very clear choices. This will be presented again at Spaghetti Supper for parents as Supper is on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Dedication of playground equipment with Jonathon Joseph from Texans took place yesterday. GT Expo original note at Jones HS where all students were invited for last Friday but cancelled; rescheduled at Jane Long MS with new date and district stated only 3 of 15 invited may attend this event; we declined. We will allow our 15 student projects to present at our Spaghetti Supper in a corner of cafeteria. Two OM Teams from THR are attending World Finals in Michigan; 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation date moved in anticipation of World finals. Mr. Water's Retirement Reception takes place May 25<sup>th</sup>; families included at reception.

Donald Lam, Assistant Principal, Middle School – report attached.

Christian Winn, Assistant Principal, Elementary – report attached.

## **V1. Adjourn by 9:00 AM**

### **Upcoming PTO Events & Meetings:**

1. PTO Board Meeting/Budget Review: Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:45 am, Living Room
2. Middle School Community Building Event: Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> 4:30-6:30 @ Sky High Sports
3. Teacher Appreciation Week: April 24– April 28, 2017
4. PTO Meeting/Budget Approval: Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 7:45 am, Living Room
5. Spaghetti Supper: Friday, May 5, 2017, 5:30 - 8:30pm
6. Tentative: PTO Year End Celebration: Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:30pm